

INFORMATION PAPER

1. PURPOSE: To provide guidance to Military Components on Hazardous Waste Turn-in and Disposal Procedures for Fort Drum, NY.

2. INFORMATION:

a. Definition: A hazardous waste is defined as a hazardous material that is no longer able to be used for its intended purpose and either exhibits one or more of the following characteristics: ignitability, corrosivity, reactivity, or toxicity, or is, or contains, a waste listed in 40 CFR 261.31-33(f). Hazardous wastes occur in solid, liquid, or gaseous states (e.g. paints, solvents, thinners, chemical defense equipment kits, batteries, asbestos, and mask filters).

b. Best management of hazardous waste is to make sure a hazardous material does not become a waste. Good housekeeping practices such as ordering only the quantities required, using all of the material, keeping containers closed when not in use to prevent contamination, and properly protecting and storing containers from the elements are ways in which to keep hazardous waste to a minimum.

c. Each unit has an Environmental Compliance Officer (ECO) who is appointed by the unit Commander. These ECOs are the POCs for the turn-in of hazardous waste for that unit. Hazardous Waste turn-in will be coordinated through the Hazardous Material Control Center, (315) 772-5977. It is required that a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) be available for each type of waste being turned in.

d. Reserve units are to notify the Hazardous Material Control Center, (315) 772-5977, if they need to turn in hazardous waste. It will be required that they supply their DODDAC and APC numbers to be billed appropriately. Training in hazardous waste handling needs to be documented and submitted to the Environmental Office upon arrival.

3. CONCLUSION: Assistance with the disposal and procedure required for the disposal of hazardous waste can be obtained from the PW, Hazardous Waste Section at (315) 772-2678 or the Hazardous Material Control Center, (315) 772-5977, DSN 772.

Fort Drum Waste Disposal Procedures



Items listed below MAY NOT be disposed of in dumpsters!

Batteries: Units must turn in all batteries (except automotive) at Bldg. P-11144 on Tuesdays (1-3 PM) and Thursdays (9-11 AM). Automotive batteries must be turned in to SMA (772-5961).



Empty gas cans, oil cans, drums: Must be recycled as scrap metal. Call the Hazardous Material Control Center (HMCC) at 772-5977 for turn-in procedures.

Hazardous Waste (HW)¹: Contact your unit ECO* or PW Hazardous Material /Hazardous Waste (HM/HW) Tech (772-5977) for assistance with disposal of chemical defense equipment, paint, fluorescent bulbs, insect repellants, aerosols, etc. Self turn-in of HW is on Tuesdays (1-3 PM) and Thursdays (9-11AM) at Bldg. P-11144.

Housing turn-in¹: On-post (not 801) housing residents may drop off **household** cleaning solutions, fuel, batteries & other waste at Bldg. P-11144 on Tuesdays (1-3 PM) and Thursdays (9-11AM).

Oil/Fuel filters²: Units with oil filter crushers must puncture oil filters, "hot drain" them for 24 hours and place them in a scrap metal receptacle for recycling by the Refuse/Recycle Shop (772-6445). Units that do NOT have a crusher must place punctured, hot-drained filters in their POL shed in a container labeled "used oil filters" which will be picked up for recycling by your HM/HW Tech. Metal fuel filters need to be drained and placed in scrap metal receptacle. Paper-type filters need to be drained and placed in the dumpsters.

Soiled Rags: Rags saturated with oil/grease must be turned in at Bldg. P-2019 on Tuesdays (1-3 PM). Gun patches and chemical-soaked (solvents, paint stripper, etc.) rags must be turned in to the unit ECO* as hazardous waste.

Petroleum-contaminated soil, sludge, dry-sweep²: Bring to Bldg. P-2019 on Tuesdays (1-3 PM).

Used oil & off spec fuel²: To coordinate disposal, please call a Petroleum Technician (772-5968 or mobile 1-315-523-1279).

Used antifreeze²: To coordinate disposal, please call the HMCC at 772-5977.



Storage tanks²: All underground storage tanks (USTs) & most above ground storage tanks (ASTs) are equipped with an alarm to indicate when full or leaking. If alarm sounds, **immediately** call the work order desk (772-4595).

Shop floor clean up or engine cleaning: No solvents or soaps will be used to clean shop floors or engines. Steam cleaning is acceptable. For information call 772-7178.

Environmental Training is required by Federal/State and Army Regulation 200-1. For more information and a class schedule, contact the HW Program Manager (772-2678).

P-11144 is located behind the Auto Craft Shop

**ECO - Environmental Compliance Officer*

¹ For Hazardous Waste Program issues contact the Hazardous Waste Program Manager (772-2678).

² For Petroleum Program issues, please call the Petroleum Program Manager (772-4154).